

REMARKS

Preliminary Amendment

Applicants' undersigned attorney notes the filing herein of a Preliminary Amendment on January 31, 2001, which filing was not acknowledged in the outstanding Office Action. Should the Preliminary Amendment have failed for some reason to have been entered in the Office file, Applicants' undersigned attorney will be happy to have a true copy thereof hand-delivered to the Examiner.

Restriction Requirement

Claims 1 through 101 are currently pending in the application and subject to a Restriction Requirement.

An election is hereby made, without traverse, to prosecute claims 1-87 of Group I.

Election of Species Requirement

The outstanding Office Action indicates that, in the event that the claims of Group I are elected in response to the Restriction Requirement, an election of species must be made.

An election is hereby made, with traverse, to prosecute Species I, which includes claim 1-17. It is respectfully submitted that each of claims 1-38 reads on Species I, which was identified as a "Method for Disposing a Material on Semiconductor Device Structure", and that claim 1 is generic to each of Species I, Species II, and Species III.

Once the above-referenced Preliminary Amendment has been entered in the above-reference application, an early action on the merits of claims 1-38 is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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